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DETAILED ACTION

The reply brief filed 05/09/2006 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Information disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement filed 10/07/05, 8/17/06, and 8/22/06 fail to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a statement as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e). It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.

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